

October 25, 2010

Environmental Protection Agency 75 Hawthorne Street (SFD-6-3) San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention:

Ms. Lynda Deschambault, Remedial Project Manager

Subject:

Omega Chemical Corporation Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Deschambault:

On behalf of the City Council for the City of Santa Fe Springs, I wanted to thank you for making a presentation at our meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup> about the proposed plan for containing the Omega Plume. We understand and agree that a containment strategy needs to be selected and implemented as quickly as possible and appreciate the efforts made by the EPA to seek public comment.

However, the City Council does not believe the meeting held in Whittier on August 31<sup>st</sup> provided sufficient opportunity for the residents and businesses located in Santa Fe Springs to hear about this important issue. Given that the majority of the plume overlays the City of Santa Fe Springs, the City Council believes EPA should hold a second meeting for the general public within the City of Santa Fe Springs. To that end, our City Manager, Mr. Fred Latham, can assist you with the arrangements for that meeting, including your cost of transportation should that be necessary.

Please understand that our request is presented in the spirit of cooperation with EPA and is made in an effort to ensure that the residents and businesses that could be impacted by the Preferred Alternative are aware of the implications and have an opportunity to comment on the issue. We look forward to working with the EPA in this regard.

Sincerely,

Betty Putnam

Mayor

xc: Congresswoman Grace Napolitano, 11627 East Telegraph Road, #100,

Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

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